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Crop Progress and Condition



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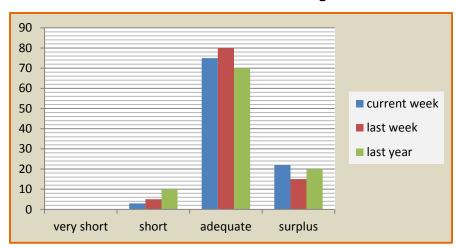
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.6. Weather conditions during the week started warm and dry, but ended cooler and wet with some flooding in parts of the State. Farming activities this week included spraying fruit trees and planting crops.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/05/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	3	75	22	
Subsoil	-	6	72	22	
Hay & Roughage	4	25	65	6	
Feed grain	-	4	94	2	

⁻Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 05/05/19



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/05/19

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	74	25	-
Peaches	-	-	74	25	1
Hay	6	13	38	42	1
Winter Wheat	-	8	53	37	2
Pasture	2	9	47	38	4
Cattle & Calves	1	14	35	46	4
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	57	38	4

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 05/05/19

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	21	15	12	15
Corn emerged	9	-	-	4
Soybeans planted	14	5	5	7
Winter Wheat headed	3	2	15	17

⁻ Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 05, 2019

Temperatures across the State were well above average for the week. All stations were at least five degrees over normal, and Elkins reported in 12 degrees warmer than average. The above normal temperatures were due to strong high pressure that settled in over West Virginia during the middle of the workweek. The high pressure brought mostly sunny and warm conditions, with many stations reaching the upper 80s during this time. Temperatures dropped back to near normal at the end of the week as a large, low pressure system moved through and brought in cooler temperatures. The State remained mostly dry under high pressure during the first half of the week. The second half of the week received lots of rain. Overall, nearly all stations exceeded precipitation averages for the week. The high rainfall amounts late in the week were due to a moisture laden low pressure system that slowly moved through. Flood events were reported in the Kanawha Valley and central lowlands during this time. Seven stations received over two inches of rain.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Clarksburg and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 90 degrees. Keyser had the lowest recorded temperature of 33 degrees. The state average temperature was 65 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Martinsburg had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 3.33 inches. Clarksburg had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.50 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.68 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/05/19

	Temperature			Precipitation					
			We	eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2019	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	84	38	62	6	0.65	0.86	3.33	5.68	3.68
PARKERSBURG	86	39	65	6	1.05	0.85	4.34	6.11	3.90
CRESTON	87	38	65		1.48		5.40	6.00	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	88	42	66	8	0.97	0.90	4.41	6.90	4.19
CLARKSBURG	90	41	67	9	0.50	0.81	4.60	7.67	4.17
BELINGTON	89	36	66		1.29		4.47	7.32	
WESTON	89	40	66		0.91		5.04	8.12	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	90	49	69		2.38		5.05	5.77	
HUNTINGTON	86	44	66	5	2.79	0.95	5.65	4.97	4.15
CHARLESTON	89	44	67	6	2.96	0.93	5.83	6.05	3.94
RIPLEY	87	38	65		1.48		4.86	5.80	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	82	38	62		1.99		6.34	8.19	
ELKINS	88	50	66	12	2.10	1.00	5.67	7.28	4.54
MARLINTON	86	41	63		1.03		5.15	7.34	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	86	46	64	7	2.44	0.94	5.61	5.99	4.06
PINEVILLE	87	47	67		1.56		5.46	6.81	
BLUEFIELD	85	47	65	5	1.55	0.89	5.71	5.28	3.99
WHITE SUL SP	87	42	65		0.74		5.75	6.78	
BLUESTONE DAM	89	46	66		1.81		5.45	5.71	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	87	41	65	8	3.33	0.88	6.84	5.00	3.99
KEYSER	87	33	64		2.17		5.83	5.89	
MOOREFIELD	83	39	64		1.78		5.87	5.92	
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State Average Precipitation 1.68

State Average Temperature

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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